

IT'S PAPA WHO PAYS!

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I'LL GET THE HEAVY ARTILLERY READY FOR THE TURKEY SHOOT TOMORROW! I'LL SHOW THE BOYS I'M QUITE A MARKSMAN!

GET HIM, PAPA! GET HIM!

GET WHAT?

THIS MOTH!

THERE IT GOES! THERE IT GOES!

WHERE?

HERE IT IS!

BANG

PAPA! WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?

I GOT EXCITED AND PULLED THE TRIGGER ON THE SPUR OF THE MOMENT, MAMA!

WELL, WE'VE GOTTA REDECORATE THE ROOM NOW, BUT EXPENSES MEAN NOTHING TO YOU! YOU GOT THE MOTH! I'LL GIVE YOU CREDIT FOR THAT!

ATTENTION, KIDS!

GET IN ON THIS!! I WANT YOU TO SUGGEST FUNNY NAMES FOR NEW CHARACTERS TO GO IN THE "TOOTS AND CASPER COMIC STAMPS"! YOU CAN HAVE LOTS OF FUN GETTING TOGETHER WITH YOUR PARENTS AND DEIVING A LOT OF COMIC NAMES SUCH AS "HEEZA GOOF", ETC. SEND IN AS MANY NAMES AS YOU WISH! THINK UP FUNNY ONES. THERE'LL BE PRIZES FOR THE FUNNIEST NAMES. WATCH FOR ANNOUNCEMENT LATER

I'M GONNA ASK MY UNCLE FRED TO HELP ME THINK UP SOME FUNNY NAMES TO SEND IN!

MAMA'S HAVING A BRIDGE PARTY TOMORROW AND I'LL ASK EVERY LADY TO GIVE ME A FUNNY NAME TO SEND IN!

MY DOL'S NAME IS 'SOUP-BONES'. I'LL SEND THAT IN!

GET BUSY RIGHT AWAY, KIDS! MAIL IN SOME FUNNY NAMES TODAY! YOU CAN SEND IN MORE LATER AS FAST AS YOU THINK THEM UP!



Toots and Casper

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SPARE-RIBS SHOULD HAVE WON THE WOOFFERTON DERBY! HE WAS FAR IN THE LEAD WHEN HE SUDDENLY GOT RATTLED AND RAN THE WRONG WAY!

IS CASPER STILL MOANING ABOUT THAT RACE, UNCLE EVERETT?

ARE YOU GOING OUT AGAIN TONIGHT, DICK? WHY DON'T YOU STAY HOME FOR A CHANGE?

THIS IS BUSINESS, ELSIE! I WON'T BE BACK UNTIL TOMORROW AFTERNOON!

I DON'T LIKE THAT BROTHER OF YOURS, ELSIE! IN FACT, I NEVER DID! IF THERE EVER WAS A WORTHLESS GOOD-FOR-NOTHING, IT'S HIM!

HE WAS A BIT WILD IN HIS YOUTH, EVERETT, BUT YOU MUSTN'T HOLD THAT AGAINST HIM FOREVER! AFTER ALL HE'S MY BROTHER AND I LOVE HIM!

THAT'S ODD! DICK CUT ACROSS THE LAWN TO THE REAR OF THE HOUSE AND CAME IN AGAIN THROUGH THE KITCHEN! HE DOESN'T KNOW I'VE BEEN WATCHING HIM! WHAT IS HE UP TO, ANYWAY?

UNCLE EVERETT CERTAINLY KEEPS A LOT OF DOUGH IN HIS SAFE FOR HIS DAILY TRANSACTIONS, TOOTS! THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS! I WISH HED GIVE ME SOME OF IT!

YES, AND I WISH YOU'D STOP TALKING SO I CAN GO TO SLEEP!

EVERETT J. CHUCKLE

EVERYBODY MUST BE SOUND ASLEEP BY NOW! I DON'T HEAR A SOUND! THIS IS MY CHANCE!

NO ONE KNOWS I'M IN THE HOUSE TONIGHT! ELSIE AND EVERETT BOTH SAW ME GO OUT! I'LL HAVE A PERFECT ALIBI!

AND NO ONE KNOWS I OVERHEARD EVERETT TELLING ELSIE THE COMBINATION TO HIS SAFE!

I NEVER THOUGHT YOU'D COME TO THIS, DICK!

ELsie!

THANK GOODNESS I'M HERE TO SAVE YOU FROM YOURSELF, DICK! YOU'RE WORSE THAN I THOUGHT! YOU MUST BE MAD TO THINK OF DOING SUCH A THING!

I'M NOT A BAD ONE, SIS. I ONLY WANTED TO BORROW SOME MONEY FOR A FEW DAYS! I'D HAVE IT BACK BEFORE THE LOSS WAS DETECTED! I'M IN A JAM!

AS FAR BACK AS I CAN REMEMBER I'VE BEEN GETTING YOU OUT OF JAMS! I'VE ALWAYS TAKEN YOUR TROUBLES ON MY SHOULDERS!

I'VE GOTTA HAVE \$25,000.00 WHEN THE BANK OPENS IN THE MORNING TO MEET A CHECK I GAVE OUT! WELL, I GUESS EVERETT WILL LEND ME THE MONEY RATHER THAN HAVE SOME SCANDAL ATTACHED TO HIS BROTHER IN LAW!

NO, I WON'T ALLOW YOU TO ASK EVERETT FOR THE MONEY! YOU CAN'T START THAT! I'LL GIVE YOU MY JEWELS! PAWN THEM! THEY'LL BRING ENOUGH TO COVER YOUR CHECK! BUT EVERETT MUSTN'T KNOW ABOUT IT!

ALL I HAVE LEFT OF THE MANY JEWELS EVERETT GAVE ME ARE MY ENGAGEMENT RING AND WEDDING RING! HOW WILL I EXPLAIN TO HIM? WHAT WILL I DO? OH-H! EVERETT AND I HAVE BEEN SO HAPPY BUT TROUBLE IS COMING! I FEEL IT!

BIG-HEARTED, GOOD-NATURED LOVABLE ELSIE! SHE LOVES HER SHIFTLESS BROTHER, BUT IS SHE RIGHT OR WRONG IN PROTECTING HIM? IF YOU WERE IN HER PLACE WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

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